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by john crenson

Sarsoun on the struggle in the Middle East

Last night at the Carrefour International House, Professor Samih Sarsoun from Lebanon spoke on the topic of the current state of the Palestinian liberation struggle.

He began by giving a brief talk on the experience of the guerrilla movement and the Palestinian people.

"In 1890, with the collaboration of imperialist powers, the Zionist movement began." Sarsoun said that the British wanted control of the East bank of the Suez and the way in which this domination could be facilitated was by developing the Zionist ideology in that part of the world. Eventually, this Zionist colony grew to the point where the original Palestinian occupants had their land taken from them.

In analysing the present state of the Palestine guerrilla movement, Sarsoun cited two basic contradictions as being predominant. Firstly, there is the contradiction between the imperialists and Zionists and the Arab masses. Second, there is another more internal contradiction within the Arab world itself. This is the contradiction between, on the one hand, imperialist interests and the Arab oligarchy, and on the other the Arab masses.

Also, the alliance between the imperialists and Zionism is not necessarily an harmonious one. While both commonly exploit the masses of the Arab people, they are not intrinsically the same. The presence of a Soviet influence in the Middle East also complicates the issue, since the interests of Russian imperialism conflicts at times with the in-

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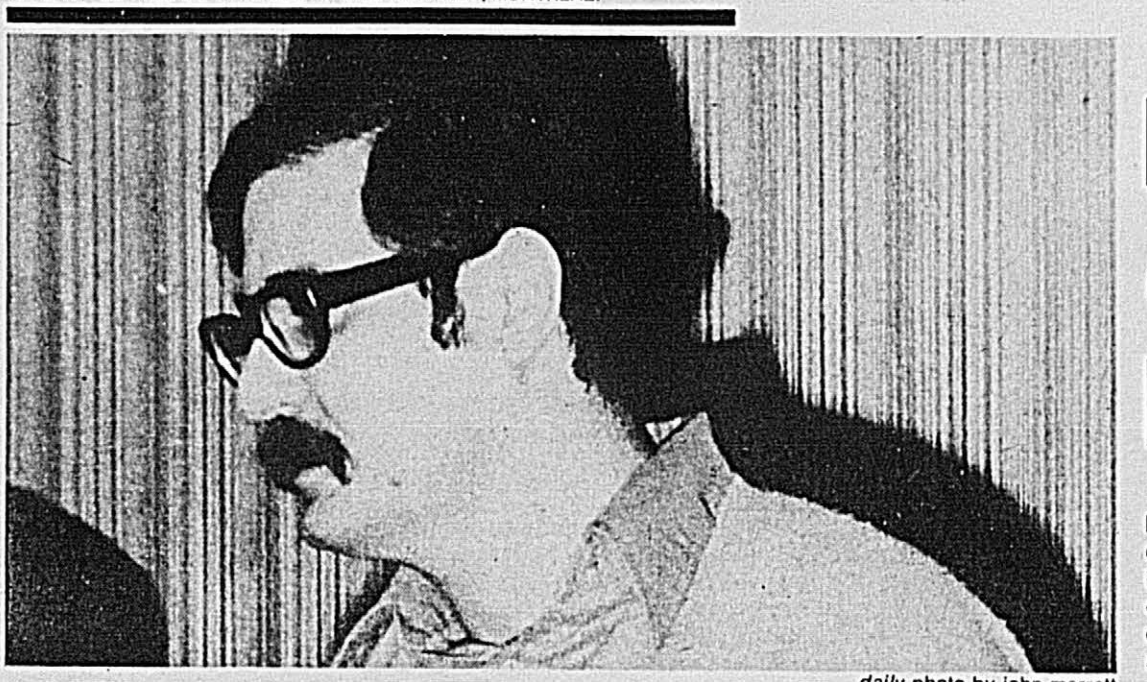

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LEBANESE PROFESSOR Samih Sarsoun spoke last night on the necessity for developing class struggle among the Arabs, while also waging war against imperialism and Zionism.

by marsha fine

Group condemns Gaz Metropolitain

"It would appear . . . that the practices of gas companies in certain circumstances, could constitute criminal negligence. However, this is not really the vital issue here. The fact that these practices come so close to criminal conduct necessitates that the laws regulating them be changed."

Point St. Charles people again plan to confront government officials, including William Tetley, Quebec Minister of Financial Institutions and Gilles Masse, Minister of Natural Resources.

The Community Legal Services, a Point legal aid service, has released a report condemning Gaz Metropolitain Inc. for its practices regarding deposits, billing, and winter shut-offs of gas. McGill law students Lazar Sarna and Leonard Siedman have emphasized that the report is not a legal action against Gaz Metropolitain, but a paper designed to bring inequities of practice and privilege of utility companies in general to the government's attention.

(Gaz Metropolitain, a Montreal firm, was chosen for the sheer number of its arbitrary actions in the Point.)

ON THE UNDESIRABILITY OF SHUT-OFFS:

The company has the authorization by legal contract to shut off power if, after a specified period of time and several warnings, the customer has failed to pay his gas bill. This means that the company can shut off power even during cold weather which may adversely affect the health of individuals or families. This, claims the report, "is inconsistent with the social responsibility of the utility company."

"The shut-offs problem is an integral part of our substandard housing ills, the welfare burden, the credit structure," the report continues. Although welfare provides up to $40 for four months arrears, should a shut-off occur Friday, the customer is still inconvenienced as welfare offices cannot be reached during the weekend. Moreover, special welfare grants will not be doled out until the power is actually shut off. More money from welfare agencies is not regarded as the solution since this is to overlook the responsibility of the utility company.

ON BILLING:

■ In general, if a customer cannot meet payments immediately, the company tries to work out a repayment plan, as part of its procedure, but this is not legally mandatory. However, "the company is under no obligation to accept a repayment plan which it considers to be economically

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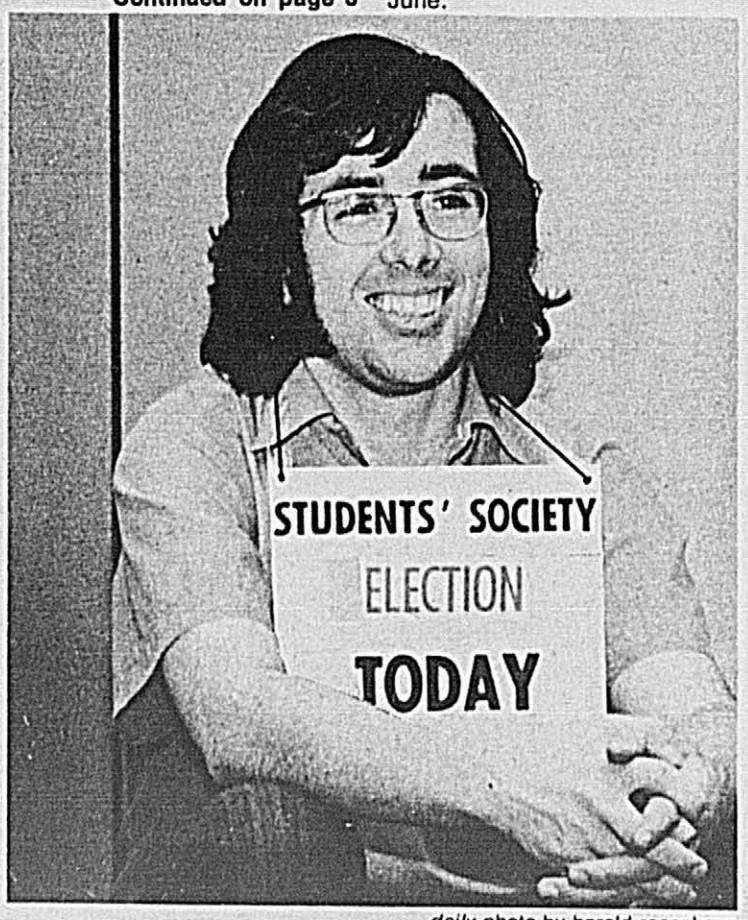
Rovins off the ballot

David Rovins, Internal Vice-President, and acting President of the Students' Society, has been disqualified as a candidate in today's Presidential elections, and his name will not appear on the ballots.

Martin Shapiro, Chief Returning Officer, released the following statement late last night after conferring briefly with the Judicial Committee and Rovins' counsel:

"I did not receive David Rovins' resignation, or notification thereof, by 12 o'clock midnight. Therefore, in accordance with the Judicial Committee ruling, Mr. Rovins shall not be a candidate in today's elections. He had the choice of remaining Internal V-P or running for President. Constitutionally, he cannot hold both offices so he has chosen the former. Mr. Rovins will maintain his post as Internal V-P until June."



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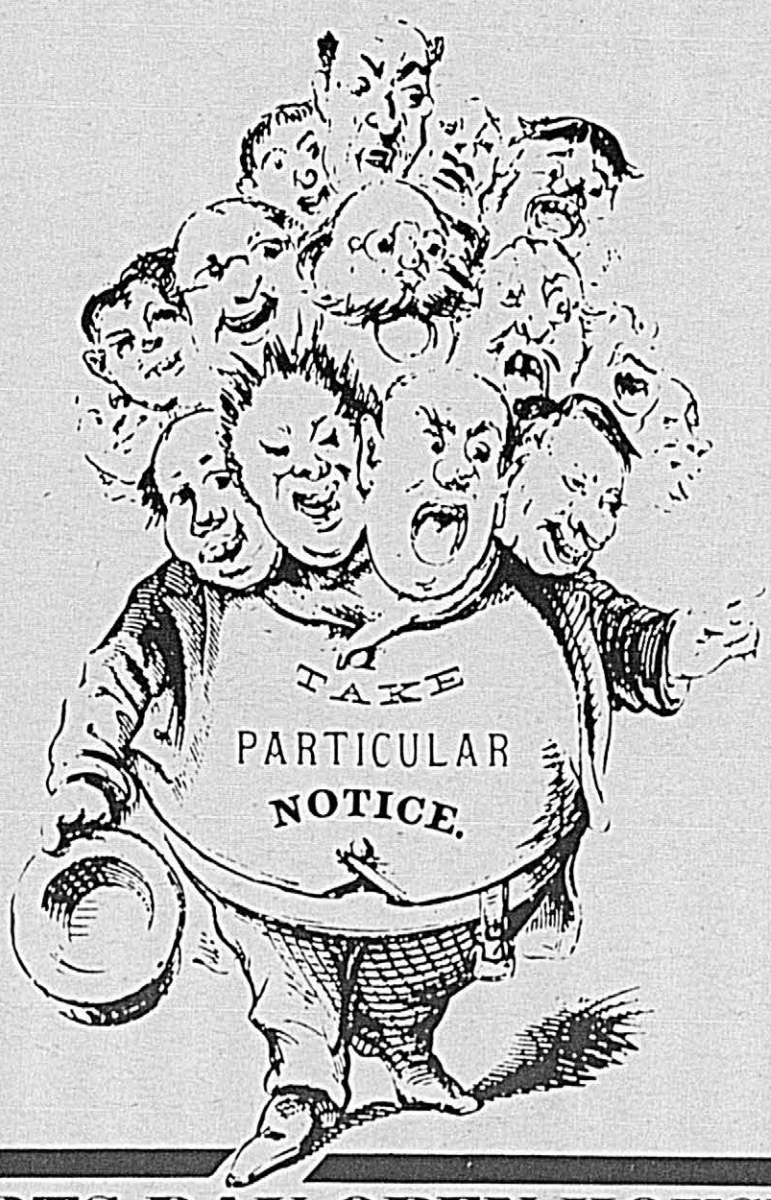
MARTIN SHAPIRO, Chief Returning Officer for today's elections. Rumor has it that he may soon star in a Colgate commercial.

LEAN AND HUNGRY/BY GEORGE KOPP

ERRATA

Yesterday's Daily incorrectly attributed certain statements to candidates Israel Zelechowsky and Alan Berger, both of whom spoke at Monday's Hillel forum. Zelechowsky was reported to have referred to the Hyman-Hajaly-Foster executive as the "$24 triumvirate." Zelechowsky says he referred to the Hyman-Hajaly-Foster executive as a "bulwark". Berger was quoted as calling certain candidates "clowns". Berger says he called all the candidates clowns, rather than just those reported in the story. The Daily also incorrectly referred to Kirk Stevens as Debating Union president. should have read "former Debating Union president".



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unreasonable for its purposes." Although Gaz Metropolitain has restored power for small monthly sums added to regular payments, such settlements are not routine; they are not even publicized as a preliminary alternate to shut-offs. Nor are the service charges involved.

The report also charges that the gas utility can help effect an illegal eviction. Should a landlord have his tenant pay for gas as part of his rent, while the landlord has the contract with the company, and should the landlord decide to evict the tenant, he may have the company shut off the gas with no questions asked, and no discomfort to himself.

Gas rates themselves are set by the Gas and Electricity Board, which once prevented GMI from modifying regulations concerning fines and rates of cost it wished to charge delinquent customers.

ON CASH DEPOSITS:

All subscribers to the utility pay a service deposit. Welfare recipients, considered "Bad business risks", pay more. "The manner in which the amounts of these deposits are fixed is shrouded in the mysterious exercise of company discretion using as a base accumulated 'credit-rating' of the customer." The credit-rating is "imperfect," based on purchasing, paying for, and returning retail merchandise.

Previous users of gas in good standing receive a smaller payment bill. The public service seems to be based on a system of rewards and punishments.

As regards legislation, the report concedes that the Electricity and Gas Board, ostensibly a consumer-protection service, has much control over rates, costs, but points out that "power to curtail shut-off practices is *implicit* but by no means *explicit*."

Legal aid, the report charges, is inadequate, at best rendering only "injunctive relief." By the injunction, (which must be issued by a judge therefore incurring more costs to the customer the service is restored until the gas distributor can "affirmatively demonstrate its right" to cut off power. Several days time to work out a better payment solution are really all that is gained. Moreover, the injunction is difficult to obtain.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Community Legal Services proposes eight recommendations for the government to chew over.

■ "During cold weather (below 40 degrees F), shut-offs must be prohibited." Several case studies, including a story which appeared recently in the Montreal *Star* concerning a woman who died as a result of having her power cut off, back this statement.

■ A utility company must prove the legal necessity of a shut-off to obtain payment. Service should only be cut if the company has proven that the customer willingly or negligently failed to accept a plan of payment offered and proven payable by the customer; that by cutting off service, the health and welfare of the customer will not be adversely affected; that discontinuance of service is the only way of obtaining payment.

■ The Electricity and Gas Board Act should be amended to give the Board explicit power to permit or prohibit a discontinuance of service.

■ Currently the company provides as a final warning a 48-hour notice of shut-off action to delinquent customers. The law pertaining to the notice, does not specify how the customer is to be notified. Helen Bastien, who works with the legal aid service and GMAPCC, recalled that people sometimes receive notices late, through regular post, or even "tossed onto porches." Many claim that they never receive any notice at all.

As a result, the report recommends that the precise time and date of the notice be given the customer, three days prior to action, and through registered mail.

More social responsibility must be undertaken by the utility — such as checking abnormally high heating bills, and ensuring that landlords maintain buildings in "heatable" condition so that systems can function properly. The report does not recommend how to ensure the landlord's obligation.

■ The gas company must be legally bound not to accede to a landlord's request to discontinue service, regardless of who pays the bill. If a shut-off is used as a means of evicting the tenant, then the company may ignore the landlord's request.

■ The utility must not be allowed to demand immediate cash deposits, before installation. As an alternative, the report recommends that a small monthly sum be added to the bill. Doing away with the deposit completely is not suggested.

■ "A study of the economic feasibility of lower or reduced rates for low-income consumers" should be set up. "The cost of such reduced rates must be weighed against the cost of current shut-off practices and litigation by the company."

Sarsoun . . .

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terests of the Arab states which it supports.

Sarsoun stated that "the potential of the Palestine movement can be best assessed through studying these contradicitons."

He criticized nationalist leaders like Nasser who fight imperialism and Zionism but do not try to foster the growth of genuine mass movements within their own countries. "In these states the masses have assumed the role of the spectator."

In fact, these leaders have not helped the liberation within their own or Palestine nation but have hindered this movement. Sarsoun averred that the interests of these leaders "lie in contradiction to the masses." They are serving the interests of their own class, the petty bourgeoisie, and have evolved an ideology to support their position.

"The fight against imperialism and Zionism (by these purely nationalist leaders) masks the real issues." These kind of nationalists have gained the "emotional support of the masses" but in fact "the masses have been left by the wayside."

The heyday of these petty bourgeois groups was "mainly from the 1950's until 1967. They spoke in the name of the masses but were eventually exposed for their real class interests."

Originally, when Al Fateh began to assert itself it was outside of the confines of the petty bourgeois but gradually it came to espouse these interests. Fateh placed the nationalist struggle of the Palestinians ahead of the struggle of the Arab masses against the Arab ruling elite. This latter struggle was assigned to some date in the future. "This position has led to a practice which harmed the movement."

He cited the example of Fateh's practice of halting strikes by workers within its territory for the sake of unity as illustrative of this point. "Fateh's philosophy seems to be 'We should only fight outsiders' ".

The position the two radical groups, the Popular Front and the Democratic Front, which Sarsoun advocated, was that both the internal and external struggles "should be carried out simultaneously". Their line has led to a position where the "Jordanian regime is also viewed as an enemy".

However, both front groups have encountered difficulties because "they do not always practice what they preach" meaning that they do not always mobilize the masses. In one portion of Jordan controlled by the Popular Front which was heavily bombarded by Israelis, the Popular Front went into the Palestinian villages and organized the people and propagandized among them. As a result of these efforts, cooperatives and communal farms were set up, which were successful, but the Popular Front did not expand this activity into a larger sphere.

The Palestinian movement suffered a serious setback when Fateh, the largest of the groups, became divided into three sections, mainly leftist in orientation although conservative factions which sought to work with Hussein also emerged.

Now the movement in Jordan has gone underground. And to a lesser extent this has happened in Lebanon and Syria. Prior to September 1970, the view of Fateh as a military organization was dominant, but now the need for building a party which is integrated with the Arab movement in general — with the Palestine movement as its spearhead, has emerged.

Sarsoun said that the Palestinian guerrillas are "optimistic" about their future as a movement. The war with Jordan has "sharpened the contradictions" within the Middle East.

After Sarsoun's talk was finished a debate ensued between Sarsoun and some members of the audience as to the best strategy which the movement should employ. Several people disagreed with Sarsoun's contention that the struggle against Arab reactionary rulers should be put on the same level as the Anti-Imperialist, Anti-Zionist struggle. The main enemy of the Palestinian people is imperialist and Zionist interests, they believed. They felt that this struggle should be given the priority over organizing the masses to overthrow people like Sadat. The direction of the movement should assume two forms. First, the movement should concentrate on defeating imperialism and Zionism and after this task is completed, it should attack the reactionary elements within the Arab world.

At the beginning of the first term we asked people to hear what we had to say, and later to help us say it as reporters or layout people or feature writers on the *Daily*. Now we're recruiting again.
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NAXALBARI ZINDABAD!

(Long Live Naxalbari!)

I am writing this comment in response to the article entitled "Naxalites fight for liberation" (by Mohan Ram, reprinted from Liberation News Service) which appeared in the January 19 issue of your paper. Grossly distorting the nature and underplaying the tremendous importance, both national and international, of the Naxalite revolution, Professor Mohan Ram symbolizes a typical Indian bourgeois intellectual who, while pretending to be a "neutral examiner of facts', is nothing more than a most faithful servant of the reactionary Indian government. Pick up any Indian bourgeois newspaper and you will find the same lies, the same concoctions, the same anti-Naxalite slanders that professor sahib so faithfully spouts.

Where he stands is clear from his recent book *Maoism in India* (which is an updated version of an earlier epic, *Indian Communism*), in which he totally denies the armed struggles waged by the Indian peasants against their exploiters. This despite the fact that within the past three decades there have been no less than three major uprisings in India in which armed peasants have fought armed counter-revolution! (Incidentally, his book sells for 22.50 Rupees, a sum way beyond the reach of the average Indian.

It would take an article several pages long to comment on all of Mohan Ram's fabrications. Practically every line contains an outright lie or a distortion. Limited by time and space, I shall confine myself to the more serious points.

These points must be viewed in their historical context.

Ever since the colonisation of India by the British over 200 years ago, the history of India has been one of ceaseless struggle waged by the Indian peasantry against exploitation. The First War of Independence of 1857 was fought by the Indian peasants side by side with rebel soldiers. Since then, there have been numerous armed revolts but all have failed until now because of the lack of any scientific theory and revolutionary leadership capable of leading them to victory. The comprador bourgeoisie, with the national traitors Gandhi and Nehru at their head, allied themselves completely right from the beginning with the colonialists and participated in the selling-out of India. Since World War II, the main forces of oppression against the Indian people (and, for that matter, the world's people) have become US imperialism and Soviet social imperialism which are served within India by the feudalist landlords and the comprador capitalists in the cities. It is the ruthless exploitation by these four enemies of the Indian people (and not, as the imperialists would have us believe, overpopulation, food problems, or any other mystical insoluble problem) which has created unprecedented miseries, sufferings and calamities. Millions are struggling on the brink of death. Several million go hungry, naked, homeless and unemployed.

Ours is a peasant country and 80% of our population lives in the countryside (this is perhaps the *only* correct *phrase* in Professor Ram's article!). Semi-feudal land relations exist in the countryside with the landlords exercising complete power. Brutal methods of suppression are commonly used by the landlords who maintain private armies of thugs to exercise their power. The local administration and the Indian government govern these landlords. Whole peasant families have been uprooted. Social oppression of castes, including lynchings of Harijans (untouchables), reminiscent of the Middle Ages, is the order of the day. In certain areas, it is still a recognized custom that the biggest landlords spend the first night with every bride. These customs have the complete support of the police and forces of law and order. For instance, a police officer, when asked to comment on this particular "privilege", answered, "Well, what's wrong? The landlord's handsome, isn't he?" I could go on and on describing the forms and incidents of oppression, but that is not my purpose. Suffice it to say that the semi-feudal land relations have transformed our countryside into a land of suffering and most brutal oppression under which millions of people suffer and die every year.

Until 1967, no political party had addressed itself to this fundamental peasant question. The leadership of the Communist Party of India which was formed in 1920 continuously betrayed the people of India and sank into a morass of parliamentarianism, reformism and revisionism. They gave up revolution and became more and more interested in their ministerial thrones. To trick the people, they would from time to time mouth socialist slogans. Their real interests, however, lay in allying with the landlords and the big bourgeois.

Professor Mohan Ram, in the month of May 1967, an event took place in India in a remote village no one had ever heard of before. This event was organized by communist revolutionaries who left the cities and went to the village to organize a peasant revolution. Today every Indian man, woman and child has heard of this village — not only in India, but in practically all corners of the world, the spring thunder of Naxalbari has been heard. Reactionaries trembled, people rejoiced! Incidentally, professor sahib, Naxalbari is a *village* in the Darjeeling district of West Bengal and not one of the "various areas of Calcutta". The heroes who fought at Naxalbari were *peasants*, and not "young middle-class students motivated by Maoist ideals." No articles can change these facts.

At Naxalbari, peasant revolutionary committees were formed and their authority established. Landlords who had committed crimes such as murder, rape, stealing of land, etc. were annihilated; some fled while the rest were subdued. The land was redistributed through the peasant committees on the principle of "land to the tiller". All legal deeds and agreements relating to land, usury and mortgage of land which were used to keep the peasants in permanent debt, were burnt and declared illegal. Existing bourgeois law and courts were declared null and void. People's law was proclaimed.

Why was this event such a milestone in the history of my land?

■ For the first time in India's history, the Indian landless and land-poor peasants under the leadership of the working class staged an armed revolt which was *not* for land or social reforms but for the *capture of political power, the capture of state power*. No more were the peasants fighting for economic demands and justice, but they were fighting for the *political control of India*. The Naxalbari struggle has thus become a pacesetter for the liberation of the entire Indian people for it pointed out the way to the entire peasantry.

■ For the first time in India, the scientific theory of Marxism - Leninism - Mao Tse-tung Thought was directly applied to the concrete conditions of India. It was shown in practice that the only way to achieve liberation was to arm the peasants with correct scientific ideology and that this correct ideology was Marxism - Leninism - Mao Tse-tung Thought.

As expected, the Naxalbari peasants were subjected to a ruthless onslaught by the state machine. The police and army occupied the area in large numbers and massacred peasants in the thousands. The peasants resisted valiantly. For the time being, however, the state forces were much too strong and the revolutionary peasant committees were not permitted to exist. But this single spark at Naxalbari has set the whole of the Indian countryside on fire. Naxalbaris sprang up all across the length and breadth of the country. Several Red Base areas were created, attacked by the state machine, and re-established.

So successful was the movement, that in April 1969 a mass meeting was organized in Calcutta under totally underground conditions (not a single leaflet, not a single poster). Over 100,000 revolutionaries attended this rally in the centre of the town, each bringing a knife or a spear. The state police and army stood helplessly by as the proud revolutionaries announced the formation of the Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) which would lead the Indian revolution.

Side by side, influenced by the great events in the countryside, many revolutionary workers, youth and students in the cities began on their own initiative to organize attacks against the bourgeois educational system and ideals; statues of Nehru, Gandhi, etc., figures who symbolized sell-outs and who were idolized by the bourgeoisie began to be attacked and damaged. So much so, that today armed police guard the figures of our "national heroes", the "fathers of our nation". Attacks on the educational institutions multiplied in number and large numbers of students threw their support behind the revolutionaries. Later on, this struggle in the cities developed into clashes with armed police units.

In early 1970, a campaign to snatch arms from the police and army was started both in the countryside and the cities to lay the foundations for a People's Liberation Army. This campaign was taken up so enthusiastically and proved to be such a great success that within a year or so, the Indian PLA was formed (October 1971).

Now wholesale slaughter has been instituted by the Indian government (the "liberators" of East Pakistan!) in a vain attempt to stem this revolutionary tide. Even here our respected professor lies. More than 30,000 Naxalites are in West Bengal alone — according to the bourgeois papers themselves (Professor Ram mentions only 3,000). Thousands of revolutionaries have been massacred in prisons (the professor mentions 70). But what else can one expect from fascist reactionaries in the throes of their death-bed struggle?

Contrary to what our learned guru suggests, repression can never wipe out revolution, only revolution will wipe out repression. Just look at the

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TODAY

MAO TSE-TUNG THOUGHT: Study Circle. Summing up the Elections. Union B26, 5:30 pm.

INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS ASSOCIATION: Guest speaker "Collective Bargaining-Reality vs the Textbook". All interested people welcome. 4 pm, 762 Sherbrooke St. W.

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SIGMA CHI FRATERNITY: Lunch. House, 3458 Peel. Tel: 849-5965. 1 pm.

MOC: Lunchtime meeting and slide show. 458 Union, 1-2 pm.

MATH-PHYSICS HUMOUR: Labatt Tour. FDA (PSCA), Campus Side Lobby. 2 pm. See and taste beer. Members free, non-members 50c.

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CAMPUS LEGAL AID: Open: 4-8 pm. Union 412.

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CNTU union raids FTQ

The struggle by Montreal construction workers to achieve unity has been set back by a new wave of backward inter-union raiding.

The culprit is the National Federation of Wood and Building Unions (FNSBB), a Confederation of National Trade Unions (CNTU) affiliate. The objects of its raiding campaign are the Montreal Construction Union and the construction unions affiliatèd to the Quebec Federation of Labour (QFL). The Montreal Construction Union (SCM) was expelled from the ranks of the FNSBB in 1970 for having dared to join with the QFL unions in a common front during the Montreal construction strike.

Even though the SCM has always had to suffer raiding on the part of the FNSBB since its expulsion, the raiding has never been undertaken on such a vast scale. This time the offensive seems to be more serious.

L'Electricien au courant, published by Montreal QFL electricians, recently denounced the raiding. In the same issue it contested the electricians' affiliation to American unions and the existence of two construction unions in Quebec. The newspaper called for the formation of a Quebec construction union along the lines of the Quebec Teachers' Corporation, independent of both the QFL and the CNTU.

The FNSBB raiding is being conducted along particularly reactionary lines, as the following text indicates. This tract is being circulated by the FNSBB among construction workers in the Montreal area.

"Construction workers of the Montreal region, electricians, plumbers, iron-workers, menuisiers, etc., etc . . . aren't you disgusted with being stuck in unions which exploit you or yet with being in a union with a Marxist ideology? Aren't you fed up with the favoritism in job placement? Aren't you fed up with paying fines? With not receiving services? For what are your union dues being used? To put up bail for revolutionaries and terrorists, to organize illegal demonstrations. To enrich a few labour bosses so that they can buy Evangeline cafés and "Clubs 568." The rest goes to the United States. You are really being led by the Underworld and by the Bolsheviks. The CNTU offers you the chance to belong to a clean union, the only one which is worthy of representing you in metropolitan Montreal. The provincial union of mechanical trades is affiliated to the National Federation of Building and Wood Unions Inc., which remains faithful to Christian principles. It only costs you $2.00 to belong to a Worthy and Honest union which will permit you to work in the whole province . . ."

Naxalbari . . .

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spirit of a note written by Charu Mazumdar, chairman of the Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) when he gave a call to avenge the death of the martyrs:

"The incident at Barasat* clearly shows how isolated these assassins are from the people, and how panic-stricken and scared out of their wits they are. They did not have the courage to face these youths even after their hands were tied. That is why the assassins fired five or six shots at every one of these youths and killed them one by one. This gang of cowards knows that those who are being murdered today are immortal sons of India — worthy of being respected by every country, every nation. That is why the cowards murdered these youths, who know no fear of death, in the darkness of the night and left their dead bodies at the roadside . . .

"Today the most sacred task of every Indian is to arouse the most intense hatred for all these cowards, imperialism's running dogs and assassins. Today this is the demand of our countrymen — the demand of patriotism.

"Every revolutionary cadre should resolve to avenge the heroic martyrs. These butchers are enemies of the Indian people, enemies of progress and lackeys of foreigners. The Indian people will not be liberated until these butchers are liquidated."

Pray where, Professor Ram, is the defeat you are so desperately conjuring up? Even on the question of the city of Calcutta there are two attitudess — the reactionary and the revolutionary. You say, "Calcutta is a poignant symbol of India's frustration and despair, with its hopelessly growing reservoir of unemployed, dispossessed, disinherited, and now the endless streams of refugees coming across the border from Pakistan because of the war, its eight million people inhabit a squalid overgrown jungle of slums and decaying buildings."

The revolutionaries: "The revolutionary struggle waged by workers, students and youths, complementary to the heroic peasants' revolutionary armed struggle, is sweeping on in this city of many revolts. Today, like the other towns in West Bengal, Calcutta is changing — from a captive city, that has so long drained the blood of the peasantry, minted gold out of it and enriched the imperialists and their Indian compradors with it, to a city that is looking up to the much oppressed, much exploited peasantry as her and the country's liberators and that is valiantly fighting shoulder to shoulder with them against her own hated oppressors. Revolutionary Calcutta is firmly resolved to wipe out the shame of the past, to continually harass, wear out and demoralize the enemy within his own citadel, until the armed agrarian revolution triumphs and her own victory is achieved. Inspired by Chairman Mao's great call, 'Be resolute, fear no sacrifice and surmount every difficulty to win victory," and the call of their beloved leader Comrade Charu Mazumdar to 'Make the 1970's the decade of liberation,' the brave guerrilla squads of revolutionary youths, students and workers are attacking class enemies and reactionary policemen every day with death-defying valour and causing alarm in them — an alarm reflected in the daily statements issued by the reactionary government and its high police officials and in the frantic screams of the hired scribes of the reactionary press and reactionary and revisionist politicians."**

This great upsurge in the countryside of India, together with the simultaneous democratic struggles in the cities, will in the very near future merge into one vast torrent of revolution. Hundreds of millions of peasants, workers, and other revolutionary sections are going to rise in a mighty storm which will shatter the holds of imperialism and its lackeys on the Indian people. To quote Charu Mazumdar once again, "When I say 'Make the 70's the Decade of Liberation', I cannot think beyond 1975. The idea of today's armed struggle was born in the idea of one man. That idea has now filled the minds of ten million people. If the new revolutionary consciousness, born only in 1967, can permeate the minds of ten million people in 1970, why is it impossible for those ten million to arouse and mobilize the 500 million people of India in a surging people's war by 1975?"

The liberation of India will mean the liberation of the world's people for it will mean the end of the hegemony enjoyed by U.S. imperialism and Soviet social imperialism over the people of the world. We have only to rejoice, let the reactionaries and Mohan Ram moan. It is our festival, it is their doom!

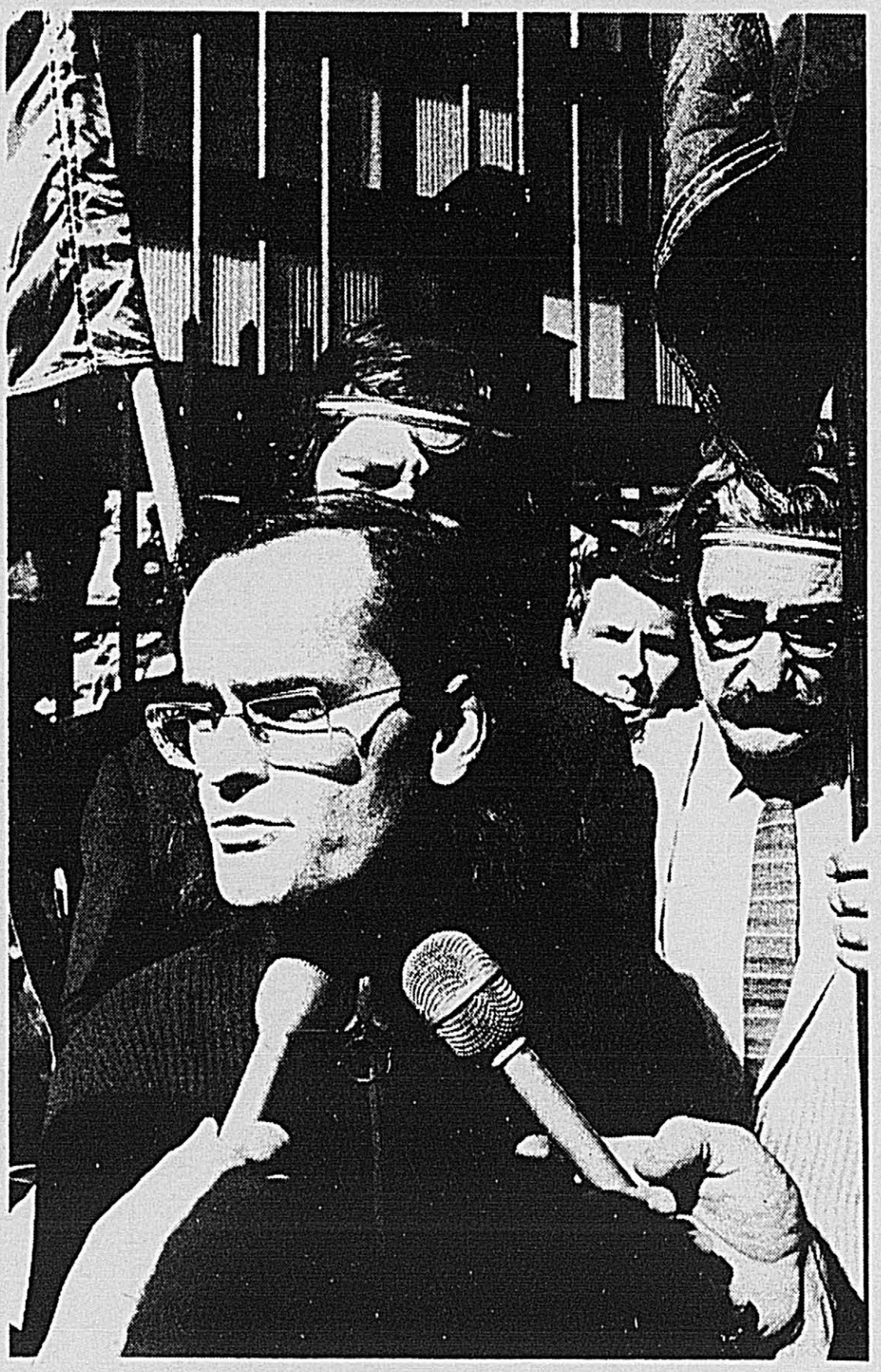
— A Naxalite

*referring to the murder of 11 revolutionaries near Barasat in West Bengal. The bodies of the youths were left by the roadside.

**_Liberation_ (the journal of the CPI(M-L), vol. 3, no. 11-12, p. 15.

Not all our representatives wear pin-stripe shirts and bow ties.

Take Pierre here. Pierre is 34 years old, well-educated, and earning a five-figure income in book royalties as troubleshooter in one of our problem areas.



But Pierre isn't exactly your typical American Empire man. For one thing, he was brought up in the slums. That meant taking a lot of hard knocks, and they left their mark. Pierre became a revolutionary, a Marxist, a "liberation fighter" and whatever else angry young men are calling themselves these days. He even got into trouble with the law and spent a few years in jail.

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students' society
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES

ALLAN BERGER

B. Com. 4 **PLATFORM:** ■ Reduction of Student Society Fees. ■ Substantial cut in the budget of Radio McGill. ■ Opposition to frivolous spending on pubs, pop festivals, etc. ■ More "student news" in Daily. ■ Opposition to fee differentiation between resident and non resident students. ■ Distribution of a greater proportion of funds to the more active clubs and societies which are presently insufficiently financed. ■ Reaffirmation of non-confidence restrictions on the activities of the present internal-vice-president. ■ Greater emphasis on activities at the faculty level. ■ **Allan Berger** realizes that if elected his term of office will be of short duration. However, he sincerely believes that he will have sufficient time to provide the Student Society with the type of fresh new leadership it so badly needs. (Committee for the Candidate)

TOM DAVIS

MAIN PROPOSAL: The new president is basically an interim one. Therefore he should try to create a solid base of student support so that the new president can work constructively next year. To do this I intend to carry out a three week study asking the students what they want from the Students Society or if they want one at all. A referendum will then be held regarding the future of the student society. If it is not given a solid mandate, the steps in creating a more viable form of student government must be taken. Ideas on this must come from students. Until a referendum is carried out the society is using student funds, but does not know if it is supported in its actions.

STEPHEN LEOPOLD

BA4 HONOURS — To make of the Students' Society an instrument, a vehicle for the accomplishment of shared goals, the candidate's priorities are: **1.** Work with I.S.A. to defeat foreign student fee hike. **2.** Initiate cafeteria alliance to improve campus food. **3.** Get that pub open in the Union. **4.** Use of Students' Society as an instrument to oppose Reseau Report. **5.** Flood Ottawa with briefs to get Opportunities for Youth money for McGill jobs. **6.** Take a good look at our Senate representation; demand seats on the Board of Governors. **7.** Research the feasibility of establishing a campus day care centre. **8.** Crack the A.S.U.S. down the middle; give both Arts and Science students their own societies. The candidate is running because he wants to see these things done. (Committee for the Responsible Candidate.)

Candidate David Rovins was disqualified late last night. See story page 1.

ISRAEL ZELECHOWSKY

B.Sc. 4. Executive, Chess Club and Humour Club. Engineering Senate Candidate (1968). ■ Enough petty politics and vague campaign promises! Immediate action must be taken as outlined in my proposals: ■ Find ways to get rid of Maisonneuve Vending Inc. and put the cafeterias back in the hands of the students. Only then will we, the students, be able to buy quality foods at a fair price. ■ Appoint an Ombudsman to look into and act on student's Administrative and Academic complaints. ■ Provide once and for all Free Films at lunch hour. ■ Build a Pub in the bookstore (Which will be moved) and create a reading room in the union for comics, journals, etc. ■ Bring back sandwich theatre and the Friday night coffee shop. ■ Provide better advertising for clubs, societies, and special events on campus. ■ Break up A.S.U.S., which is unnecessary, and reallocate its money to student services.

GABOR ZINNER

MA2 **BACKGROUND:** ■ Political Philosophy **M.A.2** ■ Graduate Faculty Representative on Students' Council 1971-72. ■ Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees 1968-69. ■ Senate Committee on Rights and Responsibilities 1971-72. ■ McGill Daily Advertising Manager 1969-71. ■ Scarlet Key Honorary Society. ■ McGill Delegate to UGEQ 1969. ■ Redman Water Polo Team 1966-71. ■ The McGill situation had deteriorated to the extent that student politics must no longer be a personal springboard for careerists. Students must once again take an active role in restoring the well-being of this community. QUEBEC: Resist any attempts to strangle McGill as an English speaking institution. STUDENT GOVERNMENT: Competent, responsible and sane administration of student affairs. Integrate a disunited campus. FOREIGN STUDENTS: Oppose fee discrimination against foreign students — keep McGill open. UNION: McGill students spend $130,000 annually on the union building. We must get greater returns on this investment. Humanize the union environment — music listening room, cultural events, free films, better food service.

EXECUTIVE SLATE:

(N.B. A slate only denotes similar ideas. A vote for one candidate will not automatically mean a vote for the other.)

PHIL GRODINSKY
president

■ **FUTURE FIRING PROCEDURE** must include **a) student parity on firing committee b) sentiments of affected students** ■ To help eliminate indecisions in choosing your courses, Students' Society will conduct a systematic student evaluation of all electives. Results will be tabulated and published in the annual Student Handbook to be made available **BEFORE** registration. ■ **CONNECTIONS BETWEEN PROFESSORS AND BOOK PUBLISHERS?** We will press for student-administration agreement on guidelines for text changes of a dubious nature (ie. unnecessary). ■ **STRIKE PROCEDURE:** A blueprint for appropriate conduct in the event of the need for swift co-ordinated student reaction. ■ As non-believers in the Pomerantzian "feedback" postulate, we will take definite, perhaps controversial, stands on issues directly or indirectly affecting the students. "Feedback" after an act is better than no "feedback" at all. ■ **McGILL DAILY:** Retain political controversy. Renew and increase coverage of campus affairs, adding a weekly Students' Society column. ■ We will attempt to obtain a greater portion of the "Opportunities for Youth" grants. ■ **RESEAU REPORT:** Alternative to registration controls over professional faculties — Government should only provide a provincial career prognosis, thus influencing yet not restricting students' faculty choices. ■ **FEE** fie foe fum. We smell the blood of an Englishman, Indian . . . Fierce opposition to government-proposed foreign student fee raise. Foreign students should not be made scapegoats for Quebec nationalism. ■ **CAFETERIA:** New contract with Maisonneuve or other caterer must include a clause making ratification of cafeteria services mandatory every term. ■ Review of club financing in order to give a greater share of funds to community involvements. ■ **McGILL BOOKSTORE** is changing location next January. A contest will be established to choose the best student brief on making the most advantageous use of the vacated space (examples: day-care center, pub, coffee-house, whorehouse? . . .)

MIKE PRICE
vice-president

students' society candidates
VICE-PRESIDENT—EXTERNAL

BRUCE A. CAMPBELL

PLATFORM — The Students' Society must resist all attempts by the government or the administration to turn McGill into a "service station" university serving industrial interests. A public information campaign on student needs, summer jobs, permanent employment must be conducted. ■ Reassess the effectiveness of students on governing bodies. Opposition to token representation. ■ The Students' Society must not run to the administration with its problems. A new constitution must be written and the executive must take discussion on constitutional issues to the classroom level. ■ Effective leadership is needed for the rebuilding of our fractured executive.

QUALIFICATIONS: Student Senator 1971-72. English Departmental Assembly 1970-71

SHELDON CHAD

1. The potential social advantages of a university should take priority over the internal politicking of a student's society. **2.** These advantages include BEER in the union at COST to McGill students; as well as better food and more entertainment on campus. **3.** Proper representation for college equivalent students; who constitute 30% of McGill's student population on the executive. **4.** The establishment of a publishing house at McGill, to make McGill an integral part of the community; so the public at large can benefit from student trends and student's literary abilities. **5.** The avoidance of bureaucracy in the implication of majority student opinionated schemes. **6.** The office of the external V.P. to be used to channel and coordinate ideas about Opportunities for Youth Grants. **7.** Proper reassessment by the *students themselves* as to the Reseau Report's merits and deficiencies. **8.** The preservation of McGill as a cosmopolitan university. **MAKE YOUR STUDENT FEES WORK FOR YOU**

WHITNEY HARDY

The office of External Vice-President, by definition, deals primarily with issues that affect McGill's relationships with the outside community. For this reason the fee hike, and related provincial policies, will be my major area of concern. Given the insufficient exchange of information between administrative offices and students, I see little opportunity for effective cooperation under the present conditions. However by reopening the channels of communication between **(1)** the students and their Student Society, **(2)** the Student Society and the administration, **(3)** and the university as a whole and the Quebec government, the current stalemate could be broken.

From my own experience at the University of Kentucky as a Council representative and later Director of Student Affairs, I found issues were essentially handled in three ways: peaceful protest; violent confrontation; and lobbying tactics. The third option has proved to carry the most influence; and it is the approach I would emphasize for McGill.

LEON PIASETSKI

QUALIFICATIONS:
1) President of Chess Club 1971-72
2) Secretary-Treasurer of Humour Club 1970-72
3) B.A. 4

PLATFORM:
See Zelechowsky's platform

A Vote For Zelechowsky is a Vote for Piasetski.

P. & O.T. COUNCIL REP ELECTION

KAREN FRANSBLOW

Physio and Occupational Therapy is as much a part of this university as any other faculty. We have kept ourselves isolated too long. P.& O.T. deserves a voice in the affairs of the University. I promise to actively represent our faculty and keep it in touch with the rest of the University, in order to make us better known.

DAPHNE MacLEAN

I am running for P.& O.T. representative to the Students' Council to discover McGill as a university community and to help to integrate the Physio & Occupation Faculty into this community. Also, I am considering applying for an International Students' Council in Peru this summer and think that serving on the Council will be good preparation.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FLO Lebeanie from your bosom buddies.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Perv numero uno! Angelo want make shporada in your koola. Pelv 11, Pit, Phal, Malaka, Turk, Kike, Dib, Sooritch.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY URSULA, and remember that "With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Strive to be happy." Love Ivan.

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Students' Society

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for President
External vice-president
Students' Council representative, P. and O.T. (re-election)

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Divinity Hall	9 am - 11:30 am
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Bishop Mountain Hall	12 am - 2 pm
*Montreal General Hospital	12 am - 2 pm
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Wilson Hall	1:30 pm - 5 pm
Grad Centre (Thompson House)	4 pm - 6 pm
*University Centre (Union)	9 am - 6 pm
Education Bldg	9 am - 6 pm

*P & OT re-election only at polls with asterisk

Any member of the Students' Society may vote.

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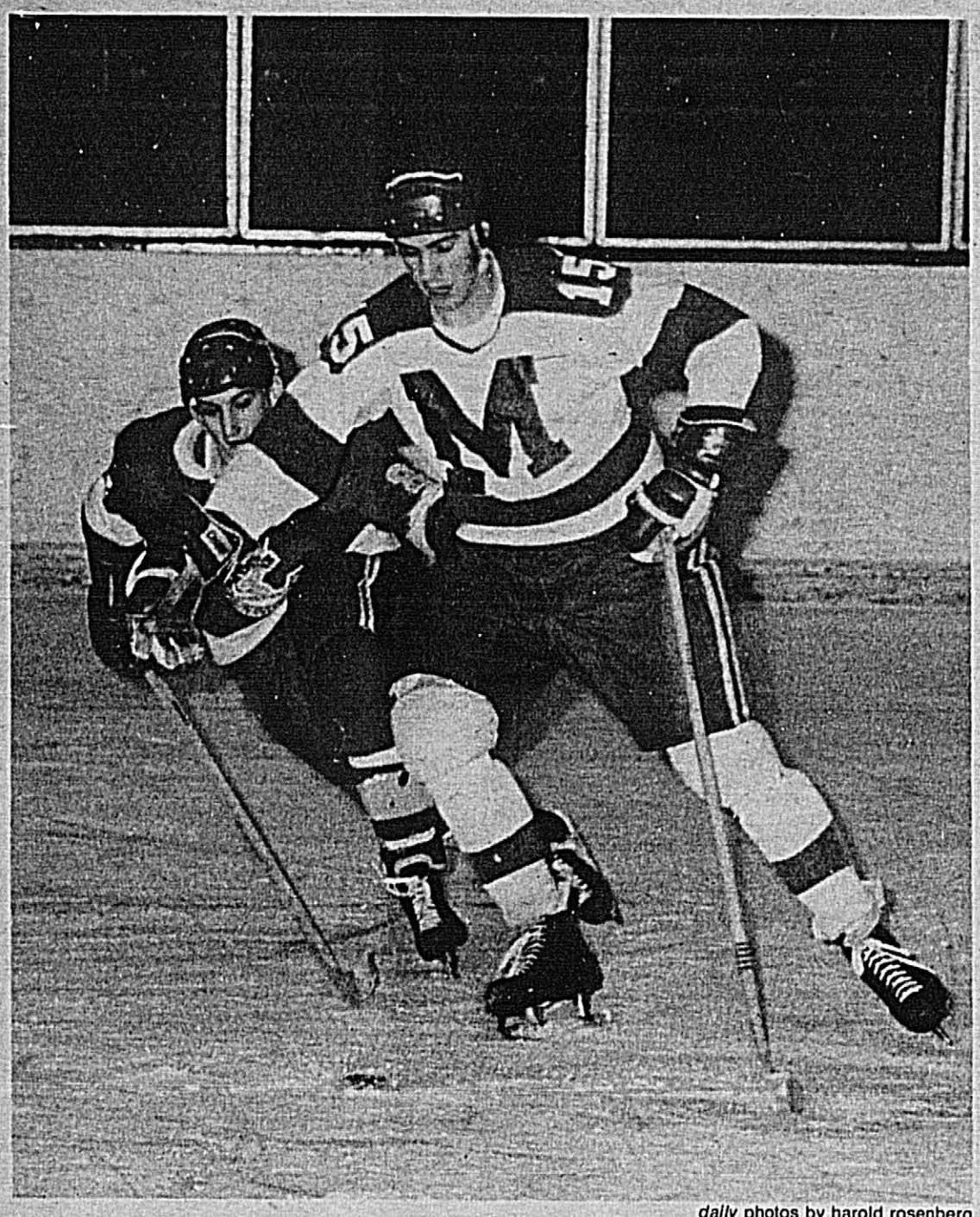
No student will be permitted to vote without presenting a McGill ID card.

MARTIN SHAPIRO
chief returning officer



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The dynamics of losing

It is written, *Seek and ye shall find*. This must be the philosophy of the 1971-72 version of the McGill Redmen hockey team. Tonight the Redmen will "seek" win number one, but we can only expect loss number 13 against U de M. Feeling this pessimism we decided to visit coach Dave Dies and find out how he felt.

After reading the lowest point of an already dismal season against Sir George on Friday (losing 14-1) when only 8 people were able to suit up, the McGill Redmen will be back with a full contingent this evening. Against the Georgians McGill was missing five players due to various injuries and three due to suspensions and were forced to suit up trainer Al Millier. According to Dies, tonight will be the first time since Christmas that his team will be completely healthy (record before Xmas 0-8, after 0-4).

Coach Dies feels that there are teams in the league that his boys can beat. "The team is young and tends to make mistakes. After falling one, maybe two goals behind we seem to lose some spirit. The way things have been going, it seems impossible for us to come back or at least the squad thinks so." When asked for a solution to this problem the coach simply replied, "Work, hard work."

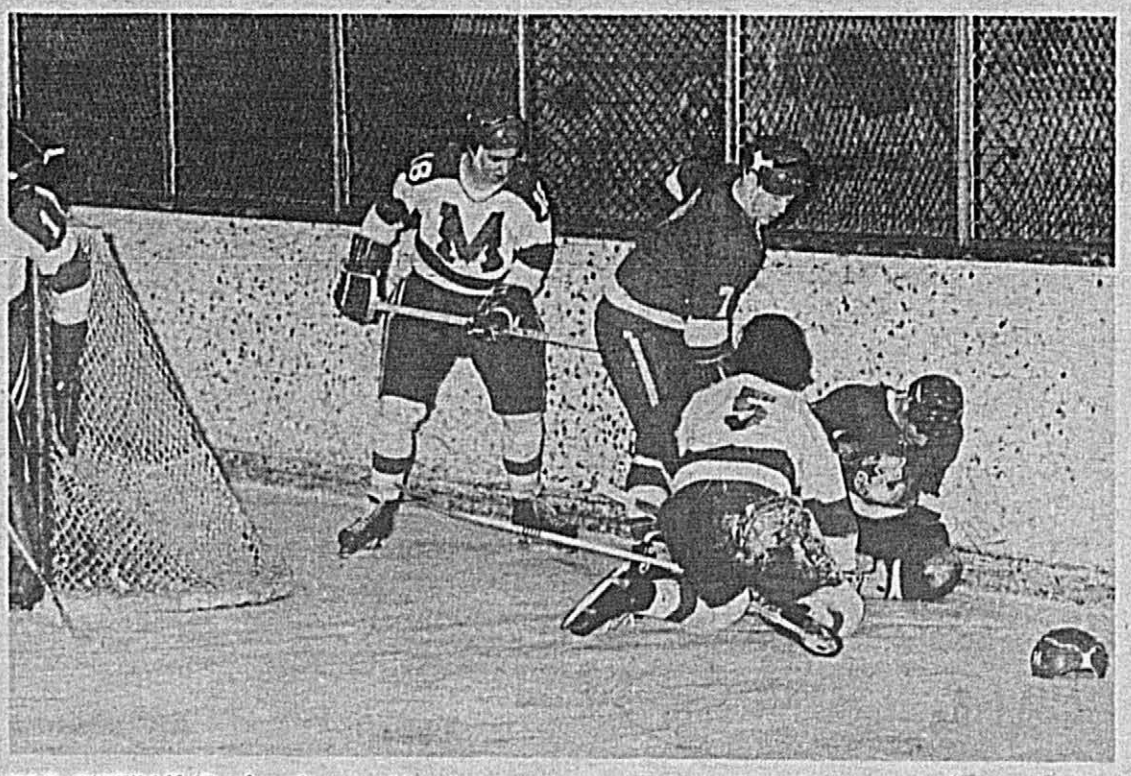
It must be hard to get a team that is constantly being beaten out to practices and games. In this area Dies must be doing something right as McGill, in spite of injuries, has yet to default a game and practices have an almost full turnout five times a week. It must also be harder in the dressing room when the team is behind by a few goals. "It depends on the atmosphere," said Dies. "I can usually tell the attitude from this and if they want the game there's not much to say, but if they're mentally beaten, maybe with a few words I can help. Hockey is a spontaneous game."

It is quite evident to anyone who has seen any QUAA hockey games that the league is a strong one. When asked to comment on this the coach answered, "More and more boys are going to college now so naturally the league calibre is improving." It is the contention of the coach that Loyola is the strongest team in the league and one of the best in Canada.

Why is it that SGWU and Loyola consistently produce top hockey teams? What can they offer that McGill can't? "A major attraction to a young hockey player is playing with an established winner. This SGWU and Loyola are, and McGill isn't. However with a proper recruiting system a school can rise to winning status inside of five years. Former coach Brian Gilmore had instituted a fine recruiting system but this was discontinued when McGill hockey was supposedly cancelled." At this point there is no such system at McGill but the coach has some ideas.

Coaching a varsity hockey team is a time-consuming operation. Dies teaches school during the day and is with the team six of the seven nights of the week. This is why he feels he can handle the on-ice duties alone, but needs help in the recruiting department. "Even if I had a free night, I'd probably like to spend it with my wife."

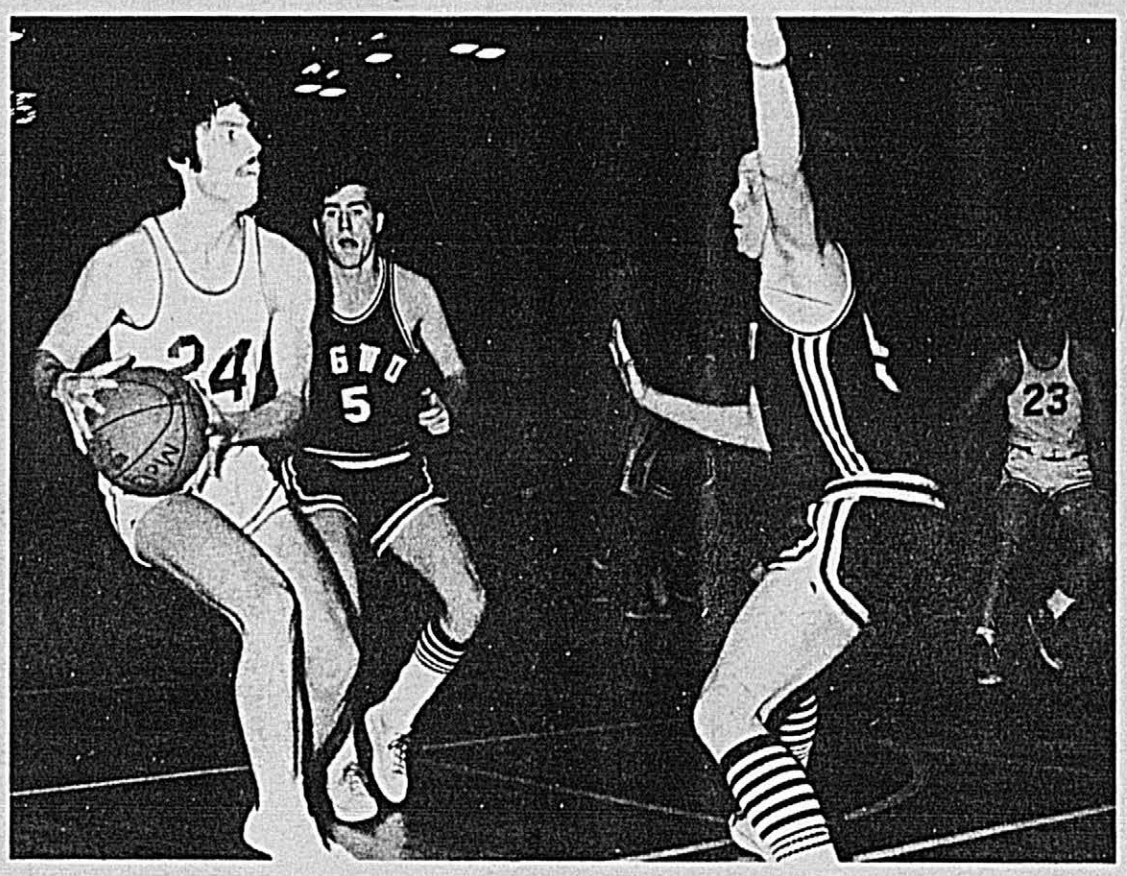
Zero wins and twelve defeats. A team that has been further away from winning than the Italian army. A team that knows less the feeling of victory than the disciples of the Flat-world theory. They continue to "seek" to try and win, to skate even when behind by a substantial margin. The players and the coach deserve less discredit than their 0-12 record would indicate. For their time and effort we can only say, "Good try".



BOB O'REILLY (5, above) scrambles for the puck with two RMCers as Jack Perotti and goalie Gerard Pacquin look on. Above: Center Mike Tomassin powers by an RMC defenceman. Action is from last Friday's game which the Redmen dropped 6-1.

by joe dylewski

Streaking Redmen prepare for battle



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If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run-
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And-which is more-you'll be a Man, my son!
–rudyard kipling

Well, Kipling probably never heard of basketball when he wrote this but his advice is close to that given by Coach Wimisner to his charges last Saturday night as the McGill Redmen ran by Laval University 77-63. The Redmen led throughout and were never in jeopardy of relinquishing their lead. High men for McGill were John Naponick with 21 and Chad Gaffield with 19.

The win was the fifth in a row for the revitalized Redmen. They now trail league leading Loyola by two games but have as many games in hand. Loyola was upset by Bishop's last Friday night, the loss being only their second in over three years of league play.

Since the Christmas break the Redmen have won all three games played in convincing fashion. They have risen from a team struggling to make the playoffs to one that is a first place contender. To what can this sudden transformation be attributed? This reporter asked manager Ira Turetsky what he felt was the difference.

"Well, it was a combination of things," said Ira. "The increased practice time at Christmas and the return of Howie Roseman and Joe Prah have helped us considerably. With the increased practice time we were able to work on our offensive plays as well as improve our defence. Also with Prah and Roseman our team acquired a field leader and a strong rebounder. These two should make the difference in our performance during the second half of the season."

All basketball fans will agree that basketball is a team sport that requires many hours of practice to achieve perfection. For proof of this statement one has only to look at Doug Daigneault's Loyola Warriors. For years the Warriors have shown the league that they are a well drilled, capable basketball team. This description could not have been applied to the Redmen during the first half of the season. They literally stank up the court while putting their fans to sleep.

This will no longer be the case when the Redmen entertain Macdonald on Feb 8. McGill has been practising a full court press which is supposed to rival that of UCLA for efficiency in producing turnovers. The press is just one of the new innovations that Coach Wimisner has had the opportunity to install into his team's repertoire. Among the others include John Naponick playing defence and the Redmen players hustling. All three of which were lacking earlier in the season. So for those that refuse to believe that the Redmen have changed, see for yourselves when they host Mac.

Foul shots: Coach Wimisner was able to use his entire bench against Laval. It seems that there was some unruly fans and he just . . . According to the latest statistics, leading scorer in the league is Macdonald's Jim Guild . . . In the upcoming columns this reporter will submit his choices for the QUAA basketball all-star team. It should include some real surprises . . . Before the Loyola showdown the Redmen face some crucial road games. They travel to Bishop's tonight, visit Macdonald on Friday, and tip-off at RMC on Saturday.

STANDINGS

	W	L	F	A
Loyola	12	2	1301	873
McGill	**9**	**3**	**922**	**723**
Macdonald	8	4	1051	841
SGWU	8	4	1026	1003
Bishop's	5	5	716	764
Sherbrooke	3	9	941	1011
Laval	3	12	1032	1279
RMC	1	10	680	877

COACH SAM WIMISNER can often be seen pacing behind the Redmen bench directing his charges. Studies reveal that he has to stand to see over the heads of the players. The shot above is of Chad Gaffield working against a Georgian defender. The Redmen play three road games, the first tonight at Bishop's, before facing Loyola next Wednesday in what should be a real rip-snorter.